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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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For: PROTEOGLYCAN ISOLATED FROM

CARTILAGINOUS FISH AND PROCESS FOR

PRODUCING THE SAME

Examiner: GUSSOW, ANNE

## **AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 14, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected in the paragraphs which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.